GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5187
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WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
SAVSHIBHAI MAKWANA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gujarat State District Authority, Gandhinagar had submitted a proposalto cover about 30,000 hectares of earthquake affected area of Gujarat for development under Watershed Development Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for delay in approving the project; and

(d) the time by which the project is likely to be approved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Yes, Sir. A proposal seeking an amount of Rs.13.36 crores from Prime MinisterNational Relief Fund (PMNRF) for Watershed Management Project covering 34 villages was received from the Gujarat State Disaster Management Authority.

(b) to (d): In consultation with Government of Gujarat, a Watershed Management/Drought Proofing Project was finalized for 300 villages in Kutch and a grant of Rs.70.00 crore has been sanctioned from the PMNRF.An amount of Rs.5.20 crore has beenreleased as initial advance on 16.2.2002 for the project.